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RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT RESPONSE

In response to the restriction/election and claims requirement dated
April 23, 2001,

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending.

Claims 1-20 are subject to a restriction-election requirement.

ELECTION/RESTRICTION

Applicants hereby elect with traverse, prosecution of Group I, claims 1-10, drawn to a process and withdrawal of Group II, claims 11-20, drawn to a composition under the restriction requirement.

The restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 between the Group I claims 1-9 drawn to a process for post treatment of a flexible imaging member belt, and Group II claims 10-16 drawn to an apparatus is respectfully traversed, particularly since it is believed that these claims are sufficiently related to permit them to be retained in the same application, and an undue burden would not be placed on the Examiner to simultaneously examine and process these claims. Nevertheless, Applicant confirms the provisional election with traverse of the Group I claims drawn to a process. Group II claims have been withdrawn from further consideration by the Applicants as being directed to a non-elected invention.

The application and claims are believed to be in a condition for allowance in their present form and which allowance is respectfully requested.

In the event the Examiner considers personal contact advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is hereby authorized to call Applicant's Attorney, Robert Thompson, at Telephone Number (716) 423-2050, Rochester, New York.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2001, in the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the following amended paragraph for the pending paragraph beginning on page 15, line 27:

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--v) nonionic surfactants, for example, SOLSPERSE® dispersants available from Avecia (formerly Zeneca), such as, SOLSPERSE® 17000, see for example < <http://www.aveciapigments.com/additive/whatisol.htm#design> >. Nonionic surfactants with a hydrophobe-lipophobe balance (HLB) values in the range of about 8 to about 24 are useful in the present application, and nonionic surfactants with an HLB in the range of from about 10 to about 20 are preferred.